

Discovery Program Lessons Learned Workshop Submitted Questions/Comments and Answers

- **When will the next Discovery AO be released?**

A date has not been selected yet, but it will be no earlier than January 2003. The rest of the dates for the next procurement cycle will depend on the AO release date.

- **What major changes are expected?**

Mars, Phobos and Deimos will be excluded from consideration for Discovery. Mars Scout is the appropriate venue for them.

Increase in cost cap to (at least) \$325M in FY03 dollars.

- **Any detailed instructions for the proposals?**

Not yet.

- **What is the expected number of concept studies to be awarded in the next Discovery procurement cycle, and what is the expected monetary award for each of these studies?**

The number of concept studies will depend on whether we expect to select 1 or 2 Discovery missions during the next cycle. The monetary award will be no less than \$450K.

- **Will the 1/3 maximum foreign contribution limit apply?**

Yes

- **What are the constraints on weight, power, and volume of the instruments on the mission?**

No constraints.

- **Science panel make-up: Will panel be limited to individuals not on Discovery proposal teams? Will there be science subpanels?**

Yes. Yes.

- **Should Discovery officially develop a cadre of younger scientists qualified to be PIs?**

No. Let natural selection occur.